

PORTO RICAN NOVELTIES.

Mammee and Pourport Nuts Are Among the Recent Importations.

Two new curiosities are being featured at the local market side show. They are, good people, worth almost the price of admission alone, says the Chicago Tribune. Each might be called the "what is it?" The larger of the two is known by two names—mammee apple and sapota, the latter being the Spanish for it. It was captured off the coast of Porto Rico by a party of fishermen out in search of big fish, and was brought to this country at enormous expense. The mammee resembles the ordinary coconut in many ways, but it is a few sizes smaller than that worthy. Externally speaking, it is not as attractive as an American beauty, but from another point of view it is—well, one only wishes that he had the price, that's all. In taste the mammee is a cross between a peach and an apricot. One mammee goes a long way, because almost everything but the jacket is good to eat. The fruit is quite common in Porto Rico, where the natives never think of eating it otherwise than raw. However, it is said that it may be boiled into a sauce that is really delicious. The mammee scored a big hit with Miles and his men when they occupied the island at the time of the recent war, and those who participated in that campaign are about the only ones who know all about the product. There are not enough mammees in Chicago to-day to make it worth while taking a census.

The other curiosity is known as the pourport nut. To the uninitiated it might be taken for a new wrinkle in the lady finger line. It is about the size of the dainty cakelet, but possesses a darker color. The pourport is the peanut of Porto Rico, although, of course, it is not cultivated so extensively there as is the circus necessity in this country. The pourport is a kernelless nut, its "gooey" being a pulpy substance. It has a hard shell, and it takes a pretty sound crack to get to the part that's good to eat. But the difficulty experienced in getting beyond the shell is more than offset by the excellence of the meat. The pourport tastes about as much like a hickory nut as tomato butter tastes like Kentucky twist tobacco. A nibble of it reminds one a little of uncooked Hubbard squ.

Dead in Tenement House Fire.
New York, Sept. 14.—Seven persons were burned to death and six were injured in a fire which destroyed the three upper stories of a five-story tenement at 68-70 First street early Tuesday. Every indication points to incendiaryism.

Good Rain in Kansas.
Clay Center, Kan., Sept. 14.—A steady rain has been falling here for the last 12 hours, with prospects of continued showers. It will do late pastures good and put the ground in excellent condition for wheat drilling which will begin here in about a week.

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Fate's Answer.

"What is the time?"
A little child asked on a fair June day.
"Tis time to play," said Fate;
And romping merrily it went on its way.

"What is the time?"
A boy asks, half in earnest, half in jest.
"Tis time to think," said Fate,
"To weld the chain of knowledge link by link."

"What is the time?"
The boy to manhood grown now eager asks.
"Tis time to love and wed," said Fate,
"To give the heart precedence to the head."

"What is the time?"
A father with grave face is asking now.
"Tis time to live," said Fate,
"To toll for others and for others thrive."

"What is the time?"
At last an old man, bent with years and care, the question puts.
"Tis time to die," said Fate,
"And in the earth which nourished thee to lie."

And this was the last question and reply.

The last 'mid earthly scenes;
Yet who shall say
That in some gentler clime—
Unknown and here unknowable—
More answers will not follow those of Fate,
Mid all the glories of an endless day.
Answers indeed, but not like those of time—
Blunt, brief, and harsh of sound;
But filled with love that hath no mete nor bound.

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